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Richard W. Tock, *et al.*
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Filed: May 5, 2001
For: **CELLULOSE FIBERS AND
THEIR USE IN REDUCING
VOC EMISSIONS**

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RESPONSE TO OFFICIAL ACTION OF MAY 19, 2003

Dear Sir:

Applicant responds to the Official Action of May 19, 2003 in the captioned application in timely fashion as follows. In the event the certificate of mailing on either document was either inadvertently not executed or improperly executed, any necessary fees were not included and/or were insufficient in amount, or for any other reason this Response is not considered timely filed, request is hereby made for an extension of the time to respond for the period necessary to ensure consideration of this Response and the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1331 (GORA,007-04) in the amount of any necessary fee.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please **cancel** claim(s) 1-6, 15, 21, and 22 without prejudice.

REMARKS

In the Official Action of May 19, 2003, claims 7-14 and 16-20 were allowed and cancellation of claims 1-6, 15, 21, and 22 was requested so as to put the application in condition for allowance. For that reason, Applicants have canceled claims 1-6, 15, 21, and 22, and passage of the application to issue is respectfully requested.

Entry of the amendment(s) set out above, consideration of the remarks set out herein, reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections, allowance of the claims, and passage of the application to issuance are all respectfully requested. In the event there are questions, please